Abstract

A liquid-crystalline medium of positive dielectric anisotropy suitable for use in an electro-optical liquid-crystal display having a realignment layer, for realigning the liquid crystals, whose field has a component parallel to the liquid-crystal layer which is crucial for the realignment, comprises at least one mesogenic compound and at least one compound of the formula I

$$R^{1} \longrightarrow COO \longrightarrow COO \longrightarrow CN$$

in which the substituents are as defined herein.